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II. REMARKS

Claims 1 to 34 as originally filed are pending.

A. Regarding the Amendment

Claim 4 has been amended to delete a duplicate occurrence of the term "eIF4G". As such, the amendment merely addresses an informality, and does not add new matter.

B. Regarding the Restriction Requirement

The claims are set forth in the Communication mailed May 20, 2003, as directed to two independent and patentably distinct groups, as follows:

Group I: claims 1 to 33, directed to a method of making a full-length coding sequence and expression vector; and

Group II: claim 34, directed to a fusion protein.

Applicants elect the claims of Group I, claims 1 to 33, for examination.

It is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1355 if any fee is deemed necessary.

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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if there are any questions relating to this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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